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Support Services Division

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March 14, 2000

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Division of Records and Reporting
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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RE: Application for ALES

000324-TX

Dear Commission Review Board:

Please accept our enclosed application for authority to provide alternative local exchange service within the State of Florida.

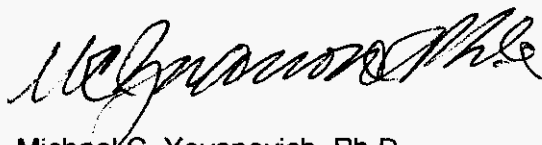
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Thank you in advance. We would appreciate your expeditious approval of this application.

Sincerely,



Michael C. Yovanovich, Ph.D.
President/Applicant

Encl

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**** FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ****

DIVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS
BUREAU OF CERTIFICATION AND SERVICE EVALUATION

APPLICATION FORM
for
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE
ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Instructions

- ◆ This form is used as an application for an original certificate and for approval of the assignment or transfer of an existing certificate. In the case of an assignment or transfer, the information provided shall be for the assignee or transferee (See Appendix A).
- ◆ Print or type all responses to each item requested in the application and appendices. If an item is not applicable, please explain why.
- ◆ Use a separate sheet for each answer which will not fit the allotted space.
- ◆ Once completed, submit the original and six (6) copies of this form along with a non-refundable application fee of **\$250.00** to:

Florida Public Service Commission
Division of Records and Reporting
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850
(850) 413-6770

- ◆ If you have questions about completing the form, contact:

Florida Public Service Commission
Division of Telecommunications
Bureau of Certification and Service Evaluation
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850
(850) 413-6600

RULES GOVERNING TELEPHONE SERVICE PROVIDED BY ALTERNATIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE COMPANIES

- 25-4.0161 Regulatory Assessment Fees; Telecommunications Companies.
- 25-4.036 Design and Construction of Plant.
- 25-4.038 Safety.
- 25-4.039 Traffic.
- 25-4.043 Response to Commission Staff Inquiries.
- 25-4.110 Customer Billing for Local Exchange Telecommunications Companies.
- 25-4.118 Local, Local Toll, or Toll Provider Selection.
- 25-4.160 Operation of Telecommunications Relay Service.
- 25-24.515 Pay Telephone Service.
- 25-24.516 Pay Telephone Rate Caps.
- 25-24.600 Application and Scope.
- 25-24.610 Terms and Definitions; Rules Incorporated.
- 25-24.620 Service Requirements for Companies Providing Operator Services.
- 25-24.630 Rate and Billing Requirements.
- 25-24.640 Service Requirements for Call Aggregators.
- 25-24.800 Scope.
- 25-24.805 Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Required.
- 25-24.810 Application for Certificate.
- 25-24.815 Application for Approval of Assignment or Transfer of Certificate.
- 25-24.820 Revocation of a Certificate.
- 25-24.825 Price List.
- 25-24.830 Consumer Information.
- 25-24.835 Rules Incorporated.
- 25-24.840 Service Standards.
- 25-24.845 Customer Relations; Rules Incorporated.

FLORIDA STATUTES

- 427.704 Powers and duties of the Commission.-
- 427.705 Administration of the telecommunications access system.-

APPLICATION

1. This is an application for (check one):

Original certificate (new company).

Approval of transfer of existing certificate: Example, a non-certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the original certificate of authority.

Approval of assignment of existing certificate: Example, a certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the certificate of authority of that company.

Approval of transfer of control: Example, a company purchases 51% of a certificated company. The Commission must approve the new controlling entity.

2. Name of company:

SANDHILLS TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC.

3. Name under which the applicant will do business (fictitious name, etc.):

SANDHILLS TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC.

4. Official mailing address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state, zip code):

1648 Taylor Road, Suite 333

Daytona Beach, FL 32124

5. Florida address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state, zip code):

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Daytona Beach, FL 32124

6. Structure of organization:

- Individual Corporation
- Foreign Corporation Foreign Partnership
- General Partnership Limited Partnership
- Other _____

7. **If individual**, provide:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ **Fax No.:** _____

Internet E-Mail Address: _____

Internet Website Address: _____

8. **If incorporated in Florida**, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida:

- (a) **The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number:**

_____ P00000011035 _____

9. **If foreign corporation**, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida:

- (a) **The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number:**

10. **If using fictitious name-d/b/a**, provide proof of compliance with fictitious name statute (Chapter 865.09, FS) to operate in Florida:

- (a) **The Florida Secretary of State fictitious name registration number:**

11. **If a limited liability partnership**, provide proof of registration to operate in Florida:

(a) **The Florida Secretary of State registration number:**

12. **If a partnership**, provide name, title and address of all partners and a copy of the partnership agreement.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ **Fax No.:** _____

Internet E-Mail Address: _____

Internet Website Address: _____

13. **If a foreign limited partnership**, provide proof of compliance with the foreign limited partnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS), if applicable.

(a) **The Florida registration number:** _____

14. Provide **F.E.I. Number**(if applicable): 59-3545852

15. Indicate if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders have previously been:

(a) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings. **Provide explanation.**

None

(b) an officer, director, partner or stockholder in any other Florida certificated telephone company. If yes, give name of company and relationship. If no longer associated with company, give reason why not.

None

16. Who will serve as liaison to the Commission with regard to the following?

(a) The application:

Name: Michael C. Yovanovich

Title: President/Sec.

Address: 1648 Taylor Road, Suite 333

City/State/Zip: Daytona Beach, FL 32124

Telephone No.: (904) 760-3692 **Fax No.:** (904) 756-4926

Internet E-Mail Address: mikeyov@aol.com

Internet Website Address: none

(b) Official point of contact for the ongoing operations of the company:

Name: Michael C. Yovanovich

Title: President/Sec.

Address: 1648 Taylor Road, Suite 333

City/State/Zip: Daytona Beach, FL 32124

Telephone No.: (904) 760-3692 **Fax No.:** (904) 756-4926

Internet E-Mail Address: mikeyov@aol.com

Internet Website Address: None

(c) Complaints/Inquiries from customers:

Name: Michael C. Yovanovich

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17. List the states in which the applicant:

(a) has operated as an alternative local exchange company.

none

(b) has applications pending to be certificated as an alternative local exchange company.

none

(c) is certificated to operate as an alternative local exchange company.

no

(d) has been denied authority to operate as an alternative local exchange company and the circumstances involved.

no

(e) has had regulatory penalties imposed for violations of telecommunications statutes and the circumstances involved.

no

(f) has been involved in civil court proceedings with an interexchange carrier, local exchange company or other telecommunications entity, and the circumstances involved.

no

18. Submit the following:

A. Financial capability.

The application **should contain** the applicant's audited financial statements for the most recent 3 years. If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall so be stated. ****Personal Financial Statement Unaudited submitted****

The unaudited financial statements should be signed by the applicant's chief executive officer and chief financial officer affirming that the financial statements are true and correct and should include:

1. the balance sheet;
2. income statement; and
3. statement of retained earnings.

NOTE: *This documentation may include, but is not limited to, financial statements, a projected profit and loss statement, credit references, credit bureau reports, and descriptions of business relationships with financial institutions.*


Further, the following (which includes supporting documentation) should be provided:

1. **written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to provide the requested service in the geographic area proposed to be served.
 2. **written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to maintain the requested service.
 3. **written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to meet its lease or ownership obligations.
- B. **Managerial capability:** give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each.
- C. **Technical capability:** give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance.

**** APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT ****

1. **REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE:** I understand that all telephone companies must pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of .15 of one percent of gross operating revenue derived from intrastate business. Regardless of the gross operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual assessment fee of \$50 is required.
2. **GROSS RECEIPTS TAX:** I understand that all telephone companies must pay a gross receipts tax of two and one-half percent on all intra and interstate business.
3. **SALES TAX:** I understand that a seven percent sales tax must be paid on intra and interstate revenues.
4. **APPLICATION FEE:** I understand that a non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

	March 13, 2000
Signature Michael C. Yovanovich	Date
President/Sec.	(904) 760-3692
Title	Telephone No.
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ATTACHMENTS:

- A - CERTIFICATE SALE, TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT
- B - INTRASTATE NETWORK
- C - AFFIDAVIT

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***** NOT APPLICABLE *****

I, (Name) _____,

(Title) _____ of (Name of Company)

_____ and current holder of Florida Public Service Commission Certificate Number # _____

_____, have reviewed this application and join in the petitioner's request for a:

- () sale
- () transfer
- () assignment

of the above-mentioned certificate.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

Signature Date

Title Telephone No.

Address: _____
Fax No.

INTRASTATE NETWORK (if available)

***** NOT APPLICABLE *****

Chapter 25-24.825 (5), Florida Administrative Code, requires the company to make available to staff the alternative local exchange service areas only upon request.

1. POP: Addresses where located, and indicate if owned or leased.

1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____ 4) _____

2. SWITCHES: Address where located, by type of switch, and indicate if owned or leased.

1) _____ 2) _____

3) _____ 4) _____

3. TRANSMISSION FACILITIES: POP-to-POP facilities by type of facilities (microwave, fiber, copper, satellite, etc.) and indicate if owned or leased.

POP-to-POP

OWNERSHIP

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____


4) _____

AFFIDAVIT

By my signature below, I, the undersigned officer, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and attached documents and that the applicant has the technical expertise, managerial ability, and financial capability to provide alternative local exchange company service in the State of Florida. I have read the foregoing and declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is true and correct. I attest that I have the authority to sign on behalf of my company and agree to comply, now and in the future, with all applicable Commission rules and orders.

Further, I am aware that, pursuant to Chapter 837.06, Florida Statutes, "Whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 and s. 775.083."

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Dr. Michael C. Yovanovich or
Carol L. Yovanovich
904-760-3692
1648 Taylor Rd. Suite 333
Daytona Beach, FL 32124

Date 3-13-00

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Pay to the Order of FLORIDA PUBLIC SER Comm. \$ 250.00
TWO HUNDRED FIFTY AND 00/100 Dollars

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For Application

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